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Amendments to the Specification

Please add the following paragraph at page 25 of the specification, after the paragraph ending at line 16 and before the paragraph beginning at line 17.

A method for using lime-free admixture compositions to make masonry compositions may be practiced wherein a first quantity of water added to a mixer is blended to form a quantity of hydraulic cement. A quantity of lime-free admixture is then blended with the water and hydraulic cement. A first quantity of a plurality of aggregates is blended into the water, hydraulic cement and the lime-free admixture composition in the mixer. A second quantity of water is then blended to the mixer; and a second plurality of aggregates is blended into the mixer. The mixture comprising water, the hydraulic cement, the admixture composition, and the plurality of aggregates is blended in the mixer for a period of time of not less than 4 minutes. The water in this method may comprise about 7% to about 8% of the mixture; the quantity of hydraulic cement may comprise about 20% to about 23% of the mixture; the quantity of lime-free admixture composition added with the hydraulic cement may comprise about 0.1% of the mixture; the quantity of the first plurality of aggregates may comprise about 30% to about 34% of the mixture; the second quantity of water may comprise less than about 2% of the mixture; and the second quantity of the plurality of aggregates may comprise about 34% to about 41% of the mixture.